

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2364 - SB 2226

January 23, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a statewide admission review committee to review voluntary admissions through the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD) and grants admission and review authority to the director of a developmental center or an appointed designee of a center. DIDD may adopt rules to implement the statewide admission review committee. Replaces “developmental disability” with “intellectual and developmental disability” throughout Tenn. Code Ann., Title 33, Chapter 5, Part 3.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to DIDD, each developmental center has its own admissions committee. The proposed bill would create one committee to review and discharge individuals who no longer meet the standards under which he or she was admitted.
- According to DIDD, the Department is in the process of creating rules for the implementation and membership of the committee. Currently, the proposed committee will meet in Nashville and will use video conferencing when possible. Also, the majority of the 12-member committee will be from the Nashville area and there will be no overnight travel.
- Any costs incurred by the statewide admissions review committee, including travel costs, will not be significant and can be accommodated within existing resources.
- Replacing “developmental disability” with “intellectual and developmental disability” will not change any of the services provided by DIDD.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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